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a generally cylindrical dielectric barrel portion having a generally squared shoulder disposed around a portion of said cylindrical barrel portion such that a cross section of said barrel portion taken at said carrier strip includes a generally round portion not adjacent said carrier strip and a generally squared portion adjacent said carrier strip, said squared shoulder facilitating cutting said terminal completely from said carrier strip.

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3. (Amended) A terminal in accordance with claim 1 wherein said terminal further comprises a dielectric intermediate portion disposed between said contact portion and said barrel portion.

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4. (Amended) A carrier strip integrally connecting and including a plurality of terminals, each of said plurality of terminals comprising a contact portion and a generally cylindrical dielectric barrel portion attached to said carrier strip, said barrel portion having a generally squared shoulder disposed around a portion of said cylindrical barrel portion, said squared shoulder facilitating the complete removal of said terminals from said carrier strip.

5. (Amended) A carrier strip in accordance with claim 4 wherein each of said plurality of terminals further comprises a dielectric intermediate portion disposed between said contact portion and said barrel portion.

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6. (Amended) A carrier strip in accordance with claim 4 wherein said plurality of terminals are integrally connected with links of said carrier strip and said terminals are arranged on said carrier strip such that there are first and last end terminals with a plurality of intermediate terminals disposed between said end terminals on said carrier strip, wherein each of said end terminals includes a barrel portion having only a single generally squared shoulder where said barrel portion meets one of said links of said carrier strip and each of said intermediate terminals includes a barrel portion having a pair of generally squared shoulders generally diametrically opposed on said barrel portion such that each shoulder meets one of said links of said carrier strip.

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